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HOUSE BILL 2532

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By Representatives Timmons, Griffey, Davis, Parshley, Cortes,  
Leavitt, Ramel, Fosse, Nance, Obras, and Bergquist

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1 AN ACT Relating to the sale and distribution of nitrous oxide;  
2 adding a new section to chapter 69.50 RCW; and prescribing penalties.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 69.50  
5 RCW to read as follows:

6 (1) Every person who sells, furnishes, administers, distributes,  
7 gives away, or offers to sell, furnish, administer, distribute, or  
8 give away a device, canister, tank, or receptacle either exclusively  
9 containing nitrous oxide or flavored nitrous oxide or exclusively  
10 containing a chemical compound mixed with nitrous oxide, is guilty of  
11 a gross misdemeanor.

12 (2) This section does not apply to any person who administers  
13 nitrous oxide for the purpose of providing medical or dental care, if  
14 administered by a medical or dental practitioner licensed by this  
15 state or at the direction or under the supervision of a practitioner  
16 licensed by the state.

17 (3) This section does not apply to the sale of nitrous oxide  
18 contained in food products for use as a propellant.

19 (4) This section does not apply to the sale and use of nitrous  
20 oxide by a manufacturer as part of a manufacturing process or  
21 industrial operation.

1           (5) This section does not apply to the sale and use of nitrous  
2 oxide for automotive purposes.

3           (6) As used in this section, "nitrous oxide" refers to any of the  
4 following substances: N2O, dinitrogen monoxide, dinitrogen oxide,  
5 nitrogen oxide, or laughing gas.

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